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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

SUBJECT

: Clearance of Newspapermen as Speakers in Agency

Courses

Hugh:

This will confirm my conversation with Rod on the above subject. When I reported at the 1 June Morning Meeting that Tom Wicker had not in fact been invited to speak but was only one of a number of possibilities all of whom were being vetted in advance of decision as to which would receive invitations, the Director instructed that no newspapermen be invited without his personal prior approval. I told him that I believed that this was already OTR's understanding. I am repeating just to make sure and to suggest that in the category of "controversial" personalities we also at least notify of intended invitations to speak so that the topside people can vote should they so desire.

John W. Coffey Deputy Director for Support

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